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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, SEPTEMBER 8, 2000

APPLICATION OF

SHENANDOAH GAS,

A DIVISION OF WASHINGTON GAS LIGHT COMPANY

CASE NO. PUE000278

For an Annual Informational Filing, using the test year ending June 30, 2000

ORDER GRANTING MOTION

On May 26, 2000, the State Corporation Commission

("Commission") entered an Order in the captioned matter,

granting the Petition filed by Shenandoah Gas, a Division of

Washington Gas Light Company ("Shenandoah" or "the Company").

Shenandoah's Petition requested that the Company be permitted to

file its Annual Informational Filing ("AIF") based on financial

and operating data for the twelve months ending March 31, 2000.

That Order directed Shenandoah to file its AIF, using the twelve

months ending June 30, 2000, as its test period on or before

September 29, 2000.

On September 7, 2000, Shenandoah, by counsel, filed a Motion requesting an additional extension of time in which to file its AIF. In support of its motion, the Company noted that on July 28, 2000, the Commission issued an Order Adopting Rules

in Case No. PUA990054, that adopted additions and amendments to the Commission's then effective Rules Governing the Filing of Utility Rate Increase Applications and Annual Informational Filings ("Rate Case Rules"). These new Rate Case Rules became effective as of the date of the July 28 Order Adopting Rules. Because of the differences in the AIF Schedules required by the new Rate Case Rules, Shenandoah contends that it may need additional time in which to file its AIF for the twelve months ending June 30, 2000. The Company has therefore requested an extension of time through October 30, 2000, in which to file its AIF for the twelve months ending June 30, 2000. Shenandoah represented that the Commission Staff did not oppose the Company's request for an extension of time.

NOW, UPON consideration of Shenandoah's request, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that the Company has shown good cause for requesting an extension of time in which to file its AIF, and that Shenandoah should be granted an extension of time from September 29, 2000, through October 30, 2000, in which to file its AIF with the Clerk of the Commission. It is our expectation that Shenandoah will work with our Staff, supplying any additional information the Staff determines necessary to bridge any informational gaps that may exist as to the Rate Case Rules adopted in Case No. PUE850022, and the new

Rate Case Rules that took effect on July 28, 2000, as part of Case No. PUA990054.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- (1) Shenandoah's Motion for an extension of time in which to file its AIF is granted.
- (2) The time in which Shenandoah shall file its AIF for the twelve months ending June 30, 2000, is hereby extended from September 29, 2000, to October 30, 2000.
- (3) This matter shall be continued pending further order of the Commission.